



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of: SHOZO HATTORI, et al. Application No.: 09/543,331 Examiner: M. Nghiem Filed: April 5, 2000 Group Art Unit: 2861 For: INK ABSORBENT, INK TANK, INK CARTRIDGE, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING INK ABSORBENT, AND METHOD TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800 FOR MANUFACTURING INK TANK Commissioner for Patents April 30, 2002 Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for taking action in response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2001 for two months from March 11, 2002 to May 11, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$400.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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